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Energy Sector

Current Electricity Sector Threat Alert Levels: <u>Physical</u>: LOW, <u>Cyber</u>: LOW Scale: LOW, GUARDED, ELEVATED, HIGH, SEVERE [Source: ISAC for the Electricity Sector (ES-ISAC) - [http://www.esisac.com]

1. *May 31, Associated Press* – (Texas) **Utility says 33,000 homes lost electricity.** Oncor said more than 33,000 homes and businesses lost electricity May 31 during a second day of storms in North Texas. Rain and lightning continued May 31 in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, a day after hail the size of quarters was recorded. Crews with Dallas-based Oncor Electric worked to restore power. Most of the outages were in the Fort Worth area.

Source: http://www.nbcdfw.com/weather/stories/Utility-Says-20000-Homes-Without-Electricity-155902755.html

2. May 30, Champaign News-Gazette – (Illinois) Truck with parts for turbine crashes. A truck hauling a 101,000-pound piece of a wind turbine overturned in southern Iroquois County, Illinois, May 29. The truck was pulling two semi-trailers loaded with 101,000 pounds of building material for a windmill support base, the release said. The vehicle was traveling south on Illinois 49 when one of the semi-trailers experienced a mechanical failure that led the driver of the truck to lose control of the vehicle. The truck then left the road and overturned, coming to a rest on its passenger side in a field. The truck was headed to the California Ridge Wind Farm, under construction in Vermilion County.

Source: http://www.news-gazette.com/news/courts-police-and-fire/2012-05-30/truck-parts-turbine-crashes.html

- 3. *May 30, KXAS 5 Dallas-Fort Worth* (Texas) **Wise County gas well fire under control after lightning strike.** An oil battery fire that sent a thick plume of black smoke into the sky May 30 was under control, according to fire officials in Wise County, Texas. Lightning was to blame for the fire, which was reported along State Highway 199 in the unincorporated part of Wise County, about 3 miles north of the Parker County line. Eight of the 10 tanks at the site exploded and burned. The tanks contained oil and saltwater, which is a byproduct of the extraction process. Firefighters who responded could do little but douse the tanks with water and foam because of the intensity of flames and the supply of fuel for the fire. The weather also played a hand at keeping the situation from getting worse. The strong, gusty winds that blew through the area helped carry away the smoke and reduce the intensity of the flames. Source: http://www.nbcdfw.com/news/local/Wise-County-Gas-Well-Fire-Under-
- 4. *May 29, Albany Times-Union* (New York) **Ominous storm whips region.** Heavy rains and wind knocked out power to more than 20,000 National Grid customers May 29 in upstate New York with Rensselaer and Saratoga counties taking the brunt of the outages. Nearly 9,000 customers in both Rensselaer and Saratoga counties lost electricity, according to National Grid, which also said that some 2,000 homes and

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businesses in Schenectady County and 977 in Albany County had no power. The storm in Saratoga Springs caused trees to fall on power lines and brought road closures and power outages across the western part of the city.

Source: http://www.timesunion.com/local/article/Alert-Tornado-warning-issued-for-Capital-Region-3592042.php

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Chemical Industry Sector

5. May 30, New Philadelphia Times-Reporter – (Ohio) Malfunction caused May 21 vapor release at Dover Chemical. A malfunctioning reactor inside Dover Chemical Corp. in Dover, Ohio, May 21 sent a mixture of steam and decomposing dipropylene glycol into the air, the company announced May 30. The vapor release shut down the plant, sent nine people to area hospitals, and caused problems for more than 4 hours. Interstate 77 was closed in both directions between Dover and New Philadelphia, plus staff and students from Dover Avenue Elementary were moved to East Elementary. The vapor release resulted from an inaccurate raw material charge to the reactor caused by flow meter problems, said Dover's executive vice president of operations. He said the inaccurate charge initiated a reaction that caused the chamber to overheat. The vice president noted the chemical released, dipropylene glycol, is commonly used as an additive for perfumes, deodorants, and in skin and hair care products. He said it also is an ingredient in commercial fog fluid, used in smoke and haze machines. The vice president indicated the chamber where the incident occurred has been emptied, cleaned, and is being inspected.

Source: http://www.timesreporter.com/newsnow/x1832957224/Malfunction-caused-May-21-vapor-release-at-Dover-Chemical

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

6. May 31, San Luis Obispo Tribune – (National) GAO suggests risk assessment for nuclear plants needs improving. The Government Accountability Office (GAO) concluded the methods used to determine natural hazard risks at the nation's nuclear power plants could be improved, the San Luis Obispo Tribune reported May 31. In a highly technical report issued the week of May 28, the GAO said the Nuclear Regulatory Commission should review the benefits of requiring that nuclear plants add probabilistic risk assessment to the methods used to evaluate and prepare for natural hazards such as earthquakes and tsunamis. Probabilistic risk assessment is a broader method for assessing what can go wrong, its likelihood, and its potential consequences. Findings would help determine levels of risk to provide insights into the strengths and weaknesses of the design and operation of a nuclear power reactor.

Source: http://www.sanluisobispo.com/2012/05/30/2086602/gao-suggests-risk-assessment-for.html

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

7. May 31, Detroit Lakes Tribune – (Minnesota) Fire hits DL manufacturer — more than 20 employees temporarily out of work. A fire at a Detroit Lakes, Minnesota manufacturing company May 29 caused major damage and left more than 20 employees temporarily out of work. A company production manager said the fire began in a break room in the wooden part of the structure. Firefighters were especially concerned about oxygen and acetylene tanks used for welding in the production area and focused on keeping the fire from spreading far into that area, said the Detroit Lakes fire chief. The company, CJJ, makes collision repair equipment for the national market and skid steer attachments for the local market.

Source: http://www.parkrapidsenterprise.com/event/article/id/32856/

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Banking and Finance Sector

8. *May 31*, *San Francisco Chronicle* – (California) **3 accused in \$21 million investment fraud scheme.** Federal prosecutors in California accused three men May 30 of defrauding elderly clients out of \$21 million with false statements that money from their retirement accounts would be invested in profitable, low-risk real estate projects by a Bay Area partnership. Most of the funds the company, S3 Partners, solicited between 2006 and 2009 were used by the three men for personal business ventures and other unapproved purposes, resulting in a near-total loss to investors, prosecutors said. A federal grand jury indictment unsealed May 30 charged the men with fraud and conspiracy. One of the men, who had control of the money, had his California real estate license suspended in 1978, the indictment said.

Source: http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2012/05/30/BATG1OPRPK.DTL

9. *May 31*, *Softpedia* – (International) **Researchers present Tinba, 20KB Trojan banker.** CSIS Security Group discovered Tinba, what they believe to be "the world's smallest [t]rojan-banker," Softpedia reported May 31. The malicious element belongs to a new malware family and is designed to steal sensitive information by attaching itself to a Web browser and intercepting network traffic. Similar to other banking trojans, Tinba, also known as Zusy, utilizes webinjects and Man-in-the-Brower attacks in order to trick the potential victim into handing over transaction authentication numbers (TAN), two factor authentication codes, and other valuable details. When executed, it uses an obfuscated injection routine that allows it to avoid being detected

by security solutions. After that, it creates a new process called Version Reporter Applet (winvert.exe) which is located in the System folder. Tinba also injects itself into processes such as sychost and explorer. There are 4 hardcoded domains used by the malware for communicating with its command and control servers, allowing it to continue operating even if one of the domains fails to respond. In order to compromise the web browsers, the trojan injects itself into processes like firefox.exe and iexplorer.exe, allowing it to manipulate network traffic through the web browser's APIs. "Tinba, like its equals, targets financial websites, but only a very small list of specific URLs," a partner and security specialist at CSIS explained.

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Researchers-Present-Tinba-20KB-Trojan-Banker-272942.shtml

10. May 30, KAMR 4 Amarillo; KCIT 14 Amarillo – (Texas) Borger Police investigate fraudulent money orders in the mail. Police in Borger, Texas, received a tip May 25 about numerous fraudulent U.S. Postal Service money orders. The Borger Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division was already conducting an investigation into the suspected money orders because several already were passed at a local Federal Credit Union. Upon further investigation, the Borger Police Department was given consent to search a moving truck. They found a bank bag containing 600 fraudulent money orders. Each one had already been pre-printed with an amount. If each money order had been cashed or deposited, the total amount would have a little more than \$600,000. A suspect was questioned regarding this incident and was cooperating with Borger police. The suspect was incarcerated on unrelated charges.

Source: http://myhighplains.com/fulltext?nxd_id=273712

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Transportation Sector

11. *May 31, WPDE 15 Myrtle Beach* – (South Carolina) **Driver jumps from truck** minutes before train collision. A tanker fuel truck collided with a freight train in Lake City, South Carolina, May 31. It happened at the intersection of Fairview and Acline Streets. The truck driver told fire officials he jumped from the tanker after it stalled on the tracks. The truck was not carrying any chemicals. Officials said 5 of the 89 cars on the train contained chemicals, but no spills or leaks were reported. None of the cars derailed. Police blocked off the intersection and planned to continue to do so until CSX HAZMAT teams completed an evaluation. The Lake City Fire Department, South Lynches Fire Department, and Florence County Emergency Management also responded.

Source: http://www.carolinalive.com/news/story.aspx?id=760362#.T8eQ-1K1UIQ

12. *May 31, Bloomberg* – (National) **26 Chinatown bus companies shut down by feds.** The U.S. Transportation Department shut down 26 bus companies as imminent safety hazards, closing dozens of routes out of New York City's Chinatown area in the government's largest safety sweep of the motor-coach industry, Bloomberg reported

- May 31. The enforcement action primarily targeted three popular Chinatown operations in New York and Philadelphia: Apex Bus Inc., I-95 Coach Inc., and New Century Travel Inc. The government ordered 10 bus company owners, managers, and employees to cease all passenger transportation business, including selling tickets, said a Transportation Department statement. "The egregious acts of these carriers put the unsuspecting public at risk, and they must be removed from our highways immediately," the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration chief said in the statement. "We are putting every unsafe bus and truck company on notice to follow the safety laws or be shut down." The National Transportation Safety Board reported October 2011 that these curbside operators had a fatal crash rate seven times higher than terminal-based operations. In 2011, at least 28 people died in fatal crashes, including 3 in an 11-week period involving carriers operating out of, or carrying passengers between, Chinatown neighborhoods in East Coast cities.

 Source: http://www.businessweek.com/news/2012-05-31/chinatown-bus-companies-shut-down-in-federal-safety-sweep
- 13. *May 31*, *Reuters* (California) **Parolee bypasses security at San Diego airport and boards plane.** The U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA) was investigating how a man newly paroled from jail breached airport security and boarded a commuter flight at the San Diego International Airport in San Diego before he was arrested, authorities said May 30. The would-be stowaway was removed from a United Express plane at the gate just before it was scheduled to depart on a flight to Los Angeles May 29 and was taken into custody, police said. The man entered the commuter terminal at Lindbergh Field, walked through an unlocked emergency exit onto the tarmac, and onto the airplane with 27 passengers bound for Los Angeles, about 130 miles away. He was held on suspicion of violating his parole and two misdemeanor offenses for breaching security. He was arraigned May 31.

 Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/05/31/us-usa-security-stowaway-idUSBRE84U09620120531
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 14. May 30, KGAN 2 Cedar Rapids; KFXA 28 Cedar Rapids (Iowa) Traffic back to normal on 180 often semi-graph classes earthound longs for hours. A semi-reliev
- normal on I80, after semi crash closes eastbound lanes for hours. A semi rollover caused major traffic issues on Interstate 80 May 30 near Iowa City, Iowa. After the first accident, traffic slowed in the westbound lanes, which caused two more semi trucks to hit each other. The Iowa State Patrol released news that nearly 200 gallons of herbicides were leaked into the east ditch of the interstate, but quick action recovered about 50 gallons. With both lanes closed around 4 hours, law enforcement had to reroute traffic around 3 miles of interstate. State patrol said there was no threat as a result of the spill. The Iowa Department of Natural Resources said they will continue monitoring the spill and clean up until the contaminated material can be removed. Source:

http://www.kgan.com/shared/newsroom/top_stories/videos/kgan_vid_11400.shtml

15. *May 30, Vail Daily* – (Colorado) **Hazmat spill in Summit County closes I-70 for more than 6 hours.** Eight bags of hydrated lime powder that toppled off a semi-truck May 30 caused eastbound I-70 in Colorado to close for clean-up for 6.5 hours. Eastbound lanes were closed from Vail to Silverthorne, after highway traffic began to

gridlock in Frisco. Lime is a corrosive chemical that can cause burns to the skin and eyes as well as lungs and respiratory passages if inhaled. Clean-up efforts were delayed as local emergency responders waited for a Colorado State Patrol HAZMAT team to arrive from another incident in Weld County. "We're about a half mile away from the Blue River," a Lake Dillon Fire-Rescue spokesman said. "The Colorado State Patrol is sending a HAZMAT team up to help us evaluate the risk and figure out the likelihood of this reaching the river in any concentration great enough to endanger the $\hat{a}\Box_i^1$ fishery." The driver pulled off at the Silverthorne exit when he noticed the spill, began to attempt to clean it up and suffered minor injuries from exposure. He refused medical treatment, a fire official said. A bystander to the spill was treated for lime exposure at an area hospital.

Source:

 $\underline{\text{http://www.vaildaily.com/article/20120530/NEWS/120539985/1078\&ParentProfile=10}}{62}$

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Postal and Shipping Sector

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Agriculture and Food Sector

16. May 31, KWTX 10 Waco – (Texas) Crews from 7 departments battle central Texas warehouse fire. Fire raced through a nursery warehouse May 30 east of Walnut Springs in northern Bosque County, Texas, and authorities evacuated some nearby residents as a precaution. The fire broke out at at the Color Spot Nursery and quickly got out of hand. A spokesman for the Meridian Volunteer Fire Department said there were crews from seven fire departments at the scene trying to gain control of the fire. Reports indicated the warehouse contains plastics and fertilizer. The warehouse is in a rural area, but those who live nearby were evacuated because of the possibility of fumes in the area associated with chemicals that were stored in the warehouse. Source:

http://www.kwtx.com/home/headlines/Crews From 7 Departments Battle Central T exas Warehouse Fire 155769995.html

17. *May 31, WLWT 5 Cincinnati* – (Kentucky) **Sheriff: Kids set fire that destroyed Ky. popcorn plant.** Authorities in western Kentucky said a group of children set a fire that destroyed a popcorn factory near Morganfield, Kentucky. WFIE 14 Evansville, Indiana, reported the fire broke out May 30 and witnesses told Union County sheriff's deputies they saw four or five kids running from behind the Uncle Mark's Popcorn plant just before the flames erupted, destroying the plant and exploding several propane tanks. Deputies interviewed the kids and determined they set a small fire behind the

plant. It was not clear whether they intended to burn the building. Five nearby mobile homes were evacuated until May 31. One woman was treated for smoke inhalation. The plant made flavored popcorn that was sold in tins at retail stores during the Christmas season.

Source: http://www.wlwt.com/r/31134352/detail.html

18. May 31, KPTV 12 Portland – (Oregon) Chemical mix-up causes toxic fumes at Darigold Milk Plant. More than 1,500 gallons of chemicals sent toxic fumes into the air from the Darigold Milk Factory in southeast Portland, Oregon, May 30 sending nearly a dozen people to the hospital. Portland firefighters said the incident happened after a big tanker truck came to unload cleaning acid. Somehow the acid went into a wrong holding tank that already had 1,100 gallons of caustic liquid inside. The truck ended up dumping an additional 450 gallons of acid into the tank. It caused a chemical reaction that created a dangerous chlorine gas that made 11 people sick. Victims reported having trouble breathing and were taken to different hospitals. So many people were affected that firefighters called it a "mass casualty hazmat incident." Workers in the area were evacuated. HAZMAT crews noticed the temperature inside the tank was dangerously hot, threatening to melt the plastic holding tank and cause a spill. So they had to pump the chemical into a black holding tank and cool it down with a pool of water underneath before removing it. Fire officials said the Darigold plant was expected to reopen for business May 31.

Source: http://www.kptv.com/story/18662238/chemical-mix-up-cause-toxic-fumes-at-darigold-milk-plant

19. *May 31, South Dakota State University* – (National; International) **Stripe rust found in South Dakota.** Stripe rust was found on winter wheat in several South Dakota locations the week of May 21, South Dakota State University (SDSU) reported May 31. The U.S. Department of Agriculture Cereal Disease Lab reported stripe rust appeared at nearly the same time in Minnesota, North Dakota, Wisconsin, and Ontario, Canada, suggesting there were likely one or more recent very large spore shower events. If cool, wet conditions persist, stripe rust can be expected to spread aggressively, whereas warm temperatures and dry conditions will cause it to shut down, said a SDSU Extension plant pathology field specialist.

Source: http://www.agprofessional.com/news/Stripe-rust-found-in-South-Dakota-155773445.html?ref=445

20. *May 30, Food Safety News* – (Florida; North Carolina) **Local health departments test food ahead of presidential conventions.** Local health departments in Tampa, Florida, and Charlotte, North Carolina, began testing food at restaurants near the sites of their respective presidential conventions months ahead of the start dates, Food Safety News reported May 30. With funding from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, county health inspectors in Florida's Hillsborough County (host of the Republican National Convention) and North Carolina's Mecklenburg County (host of the Democratic National Convention) will be testing food samples for possible contaminants, including "substances that might be used by terrorists," according to a report published by the Charlotte Observer. Mecklenburg County officials already sent samples of a variety of foods to laboratories across the country during a 3-day testing period earlier in May.

Out of safety and confidentiality, health departments are not revealing which restaurants they have inspected, but are concentrating on eateries in the areas surrounding the event halls. A Mecklenburg County official told the Charlotte Observer restaurants have the right to refuse inspectors, but so far none have.

Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2012/05/local-health-departments-test-food-ahead-of-presidential-conventions/

21. May 30, U.S. Food and Drug Administration – (National) Oskri Corp. issues allergy alert on undeclared cashews in 'Peach Granola'. Oskri Corp. of Lake Mills, Wisconsin, recalled 3.53-ounce bags of "Peach Granola" because it may contain undeclared cashews, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration reported May 30. The recalled "Peach Granola" was distributed nationwide to travel plazas and retail stores. The recall was initiated after it was discovered the cashew-containing product was distributed in packaging that did not reveal the presence of cashews. Subsequent investigation indicated the problem was caused by a temporary breakdown in the company's production process.

Source: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm306160.htm

22. May 30, New Mexico Business Weekly – (New Mexico; International) USDA gives green light to Mexican cattle. Livestock are expected to once again cross into the United States from Mexico at New Mexico's Columbus Port of Entry starting the week of June 4, the New Mexico Department of Agriculture said May 30. The port, which processes 70,000 Mexican cattle a year, has been closed to Mexican cattle since March when the Agriculture Department restricted its veterinarians from traveling to Mexico to inspect the cattle. At the time, the U.S. Department of Agriculture said it was concerned the veterinarians were working in unsafe facilities on the Mexican side of the border. Mexican livestock must be inspected by U.S. veterinarians on the Mexican side of the port to ensure they are disease-free. U.S. cattle feeding lots frequently purchase "feeder" cattle from Mexico to supplement their herds. U.S. ranchers often sell breeding stock to Mexican ranchers.

Source: http://www.bizjournals.com/albuquerque/news/2012/05/30/usda-gives-greenlight-to-mexican-cattle.html

- 23. *May 30, Wahpeton Daily News* (North Dakota) **Fire threatens Minn-Dak Farmers Co-op.** Minn-Dak Farmers Co-op security reported a fire May 29. The inferno started on a conveyor belt system, said the Richland County, North Dakota emergency manager. When firefighters arrived, they found the fire had spread to an adjacent wall and was nearing a 40-foot sulfur tank, he said. Fire crews from Dwight and Wahpeton stopped the fire from reaching the tank and spreading poisonous gasses into the air. About an hour into their fight, crews had contained the fire. About 75-80 firefighters were on the scene. Richland County highways 30 and 87 were temporarily closed due to the fire and for public safety, the emergency manager said. Source: http://www.wahpetondailynews.com/news/article_ff6819c4-aa63-11e1-9a97-0019bb2963f4.html
- 24. May 30, U.S. Department of Labor (New York) US Labor Department's OSHA cites Sullivan County, NY, chicken processor for safety and health hazards,

proposes more than \$67,000 in fines. The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) cited MB Consultants Ltd., doing business as Murray's Chickens, for eight alleged violations of workplace safety and health standards at the company's South Fallsburg, New York chicken processing facility. Proposed fines total \$67,600 following a November 2011 inspection by the OSHA, the U.S. Department of Labor reported May 30. The OSHA found deficiencies in hazardous energy control, or "lockout/tagout" program, which is designed to prevent machinery from unintentionally starting up during maintenance. The conditions resulted in citations for six serious violations. The citations carry \$32,600 in proposed fines. MB Consultants was also issued a citation for a repeat violation because all injuries and illnesses were not properly recorded. It carries a \$33,000 fine. Two other-than-serious violations were cited for failing to review illness and injury logs to ensure accuracy. The citations carry a fine of \$2,000.

Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEAS_ES&p_id=22449

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Water Sector

- 25. *May 31, DCist* (Washington, D.C.) **Water main bursts near Dupont Circle, creating rush hour nightmare.** A large water main beneath the intersection of Connecticut Avenue and N Street NW near Dupont Circle in Washington, D.C., broke during rush hour May 31. The burst opened a sinkhole in the intersection causing street-level flooding. Initial reports cited the pipe that broke as a 12-inch main, however, a D.C. Water spokesman said the agency believes the trouble spot emanated from an 8-inch main beneath the sidewalk on Connecticut Avenue. Connecticut Avenue was closed between R and N streets NW and the Metro rerouted its 42, 43, N2, and N4 bus lines between 20th and 17th streets. Crews from D.C. Water, D.C. Fire and EMS, and other agencies responded. Ten buildings lost water service and some reported a loss of air conditioning. Many people reported they could not get to work. If the 8-inch pipe is the source, D.C. water said restoring service will only require switching it off and restarting the 12-inch main.
 - Source: http://dcist.com/2012/05/water_water_everywhere_2.php
- 26. May 30, Pottsville Republican & Herald (Pennsylvania) Sewer worker accused of false reports; solicitor says charges 'unfounded'. The chief operator of the Greater Pottsville Area Sewer Authority was arrested May 25 on charges he submitted false monitoring reports to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, the State attorney general's office said May 28. The man was charged with two third-degree felonies, one count of tampering with public records and one count of unlawful conduct under Pennsylvania's Clean Streams Law, according the criminal complaint filed by a special agent with the office of attorney general, bureau of criminal investigations, environmental crimes section. He was arraigned May 25 and released on

\$20,000 unsecured bail. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for May 31. The sewer authority serves 8,046 customers in Pottsville, Port Carbon, Palo Alto, Mechanicsville, Mount Carbon, parts of Norwegian Township, and North Manheim Township, according to an authority spokeswoman.

Source: http://republicanherald.com/news/sewer-worker-accused-of-false-reports-solicitor-says-charges-unfounded-1.1322507

- 27. *May 30, WSYR 9 Syracuse* (New York) **Boil water order issued for Red Creek.** New York officials issued a mandatory boil-water order for residents in the Wayne County community of Red Creek, WSYR 9 Syracuse reported May 30. Severe storms in central New York May 29 caused a power outage to Red Creek's water plant, prompting the boil water order. State health officials said they must test the water until they obtain safe readings before the order can be lifted.

 Source: http://www.9wsyr.com/news/local/story/Boil-water-order-issued-for-Red-Creek/GFijl7LyCkCy-sgBz14t1Q.cspx
- 28. May 30, KXLH 9 Helena (Montana) Water main break in East Helena could take 2 weeks to fix. The main water line in East Helena, Montana, broke May 29 leaving three residents and three businesses without water. The break spewed water into Prickly Pear Creek at around 200 gallons of water per minute, the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) reported. Crews installed a temporary line to those without water. DEQ officials tested the water and determined it contained safe levels of chlorine and adequate pressure to feed the town. The mayor said it could take up to 2 weeks for the city to replace the main water line and could cost more than \$35,000, which will nearly drain the reserve fund.

Source: http://www.kxlh.com/news/water-main-break-in-east-helena-could-take-2-weeks-to-fix/

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

- 29. *May 30, WPXI 11 Pittsburgh* (Pennsylvania) **Federal agents raid Oakmont vitamin store.** Authorities said members of the Internal Revenue Service and Food and Drug Administration raided ATF Fitness Products in Oakmont, Pennsylvania, May 30. The vitamin store was accused of changing ingredients, misbranding supplements, and failing to report serious side effects. Officials seized file cabinets and computers from the store, which manufactures dietary supplements, some sold under the brand name Sci-Fit. The store's owner was ordered by the FDA to stop producing and selling the products in November 2011. According to the FDA, a customer had a spike in blood pressure and suffered a mild heart attack due to one product from the store.

 Source: http://www.wpxi.com/news/news/local/federal-agents-raid-oakmont-vitamin-store/nPHNO/
- 30. *May 30, Honolulu Star-Advertiser* (Hawaii) **Lockdown lifted at Kona hospital after no threat found.** Hawaii County, Hawaii police arrested a Kona man May 30 in connection with alleged threatening comments made about Kona Community Hospital.

Kona patrol officers arrived at the hospital after receiving a report that a man had made threatening phone calls to "shoot up" the hospital. Because of the phone call, hospital officials placed the facility on lockdown for about 2 hours. However, a police spokeswoman said there was no one armed at the hospital. Police arrested the man an hour later at his home on suspicion of disorderly conduct for causing alarm at the hospital. Police then released him pending further investigation.

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Government Facilities Sector

31. *May 31*, *Easton Star Democrat* – (Maryland) **Kent teen charged in bomb threat.** A middle school student was charged May 30 with 11 counts of threat of arson and disturbing school operations in Kent County, Maryland. Police said the Chestertown boy threatened to detonate bombs in seven schools April 3 in a handwritten note found on a side door of Kent County Middle School. The threat was a hoax, but it shuttered all school buildings in Kent County, including three private schools and the county school administration building. As many as 10 specially trained dogs were used in the search for explosives at the schools, where none were found. It took police most of the day to conduct the searches.

Source: http://www.stardem.com/a/article_324ee13b-229a-5c28-b609-5a0a9f7c556b.html

Source: http://www.staradvertiser.com/news/breaking/155833505.html

- 32. *May 31*, *Northwest Florida Daily News* (Florida) **Wildfire on Fla. air force base could burn for days.** Officials with Eglin Air Force Base's Wildland Fire Program predict several days to weeks of smoky conditions as a wildfire continues to burn May 31 in a remote, swampy area of the reservation in Okaloosa County, Florida. The wildfire is believed to have reignited from a controlled burn May 15 northwest of Hurlburt Field. The fire was estimated at 500 acres May 29. By May 30 it had grown to more than 1,500 acres. Eglin's fire chief said military planes have been prohibited from flying over the area because of safety concerns. "Our biggest concern is the pop-up thunderstorms, which can produce very strong winds," he said.

 Source: http://www.firehouse.com/news/10723847/wildfire-on-fla-air-force-base-could-burn-for-days
- 33. May 31, Omaha World-Herald (Nebraska) UNL undergrad suspected in NU hacking. The University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) police chief said a UNL undergraduate student was a suspect in the security breach of the Nebraska Student Information System database, which serves the University of Nebraska and the State colleges, the Omaha World-Herald reported May 31. The breach may have exposed the financial information and Social Security numbers of thousands of students, alumni, and employees. The student's computer and related equipment were confiscated and are being analyzed by police and the FBI, officials said. The security breach was discovered May 23. The police chief said the student was identified by the university's computing services personnel through Internet Protocol addresses used to access the

system.

Source: http://www.omaha.com/article/20120530/NEWS01/705319931/-1

34. *May 30, Federal Bureau of Investigation* – (Virginia) **Alleged white supremacist from Manassas arrested for illegally possessing fully automatic AK-47.** An alleged white supremacist from Manassas, Virginia, who has expressed hatred and support for violence toward many political figures was arrested May 30 by FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force agents and accused of illegally obtaining a fully automatic AK-47. The 48-year-old man was charged with making a firearm in violation of the National Firearms Act. A confidential source saw information the suspect posted on an Aryan Nation Web site indicating he was preparing to buy an AK-47 and have it modified to become fully automatic. He allegedly stated he was planning on ambushing and murdering any law enforcement officer that stopped him on the street if and when martial law is enacted. In addition, he allegedly made numerous statements on various white supremacy online forums, including his desire that the U.S. President and Attorney General be removed from office "with a 30.06."

Source: http://www.fbi.gov/washingtondc/press-releases/2012/alleged-white-supremacist-from-manassas-arrested-for-illegally-possessing-fully-automatic-ak-47

35. *May 30, WFMZ 69 Allentown* – (Pennsylvania) **11 students, teacher taken from school to hospital; heat blamed.** A school and church in Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, were evacuated May 30 after 11 students and a teacher fell ill and were taken to a hospital. Five students at St. Michael the Archangel School passed out during morning mass, prompting officials first to think high levels of carbon monoxide or gas were the culprit. Levels were checked by UGI and HAZMAT and fire crews, but all readings were normal, officials said. "Hard to say what the cause was. At this point, it's a heat related issue," the Upper Saucon Township fire chief said. Morning temperatures were only in the low 60s, and according to a school employee, the air conditioner was on inside the church. The school also said most of the sick kids came from the same homeroom, leaving unanswered questions. Blood work was taken from those admitted to the hospital, and nothing toxic was found. The hospital said all 12 people were treated and released.

Source: http://www.wfmz.com/news/news-regional-lehighvalley/11-students-teacher-taken-from-school-to-hospital-heat-blamed/-/132502/14288984/-/jx47skz/-/index.html

36. May 30, Ogden Standard-Examiner – (Utah) Clearfield High evacuated after smoke bomb explodes; student arrested. A student at Clearfield, Utah High School faced a first-degree felony charge after throwing a homemade smoke bomb into the school's common area May 30. "We think it's a prank that's gone awry," said the assistant police chief. The smoke bomb, which was 6 inches in length and about an inch in diameter, was made to create smoke and not blow up, he said. About 1,600 students were evacuated from the school for 25 minutes until crews got the smoke cleared. The smoke bomb injured five girls, who were treated and released at the scene. They received minor burns from sparks made by the fuse. The smoke bomb also burned a 20-foot area of linoleum and concrete floor. Police will file a first-degree felony arson charge for the Davis County Attorney's Office to consider because the smoke bomb was detonated in an occupied building, the police official said.

Source: http://www.standard.net/stories/2012/05/30/clearfield-high-evacuated-after-smoke-bomb-explodes-student-arrested

37. *May 29, Associated Press* – (Pennsylvania) **Hundreds back in Pa. courthouse after bomb threat.** Hundreds of public employees, jurors, and members of the public returned to a suburban Philadelphia courthouse complex that had to be evacuated for several hours due to a bomb threat. The courthouse complex in Media, Pennsylvania, was evacuated May 29 after someone phoned in a bomb threat to the 9-1-1 center. A Delaware County spokesman said that about 1,000 people were evacuated from the courthouse and adjacent government center. He said search teams with dogs combed the buildings.

Source: http://www.centredaily.com/2012/05/29/3211388/hundreds-back-in-pacourthouse.html

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Emergency Services Sector

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Information Technology Sector

38. May 31, Softpedia – (International) Hackers breach MyBB.com, site taken offline. UGNazi hackers took credit for breaching mybb.com, the Web site of the free, open source, bulletin board, Softpedia reported May 31. The site's administrators confirmed the hack and immediately acted on taking down the Web site. "Last night our domain name and hosting accounts were compromised by hackers. Users of MyBB should not be concerned about their own installations. There is nothing to indicate the MyBB software itself contributed to the hacking in any way," the Web site's owners wrote. "We hope to restore access to all services in the next 12-24 hours. At this stage we don't believe our database was compromised, however we recommend users stay vigilant to unauthorized access of their accounts." The hacker known as Cosmo, who was allegedly taken into custody by authorities for his involvement in the WHMCS breach, posted a tweet claiming the UGNazi hackers still had "full access" to the Web site. Even though MyBB representatives stated the database was not compromised, the hacktivist wrote the group would make it public soon.

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Hackers-Breach-MyBB-com-Site-Taken-Offline-272768.shtml

39. *May 31, IDG News Service* – (International) **GameReplays lets hackers probe site after data breach.** The owner of GameReplays.org invited ethical hackers to probe the Web site for vulnerabilities after a recent compromise that resulted in 10,000 member accounts being exposed. May 28, a hacker who claims to be affiliated with Anonymous and uses the Twitter handle EcecusHxc, published a list of 5,000 GameReplays accounts copied from the site's database after exploiting a vulnerability. The leaked

information included e-mail addresses and password hashes, as well as the corresponding salts — secondary keys used to encrypt password hashes so they cannot be cracked. May 29, the hacker published a list of an additional 5,000 GameReplays member e-mails and passwords, raising the total number of exposed accounts to 10,000. According to GameReplays' co-owner and general manager, Ececus sent an e-mail to the Web site's administrators May 27, claiming he found a vulnerability and was willing to share the technical details if he was given proper credit for the discovery.

Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9227608/GameReplays_lets_hackers_probe_s ite_after_data_breach

- 40. *May 31*, *Wilmington Patch* (Massachusetts) **Ozone leak sends six employees to hospital.** Six Analog Devices employees were transported to hospitals in the Wilmington, Massachusetts-area following a chemical exposure that was controlled quickly due to the firm's emergency management plan. Wilmington Fire Department's deputy chief said crews received a call May 30 for an ozone leak at a processor inside the building. By the time crews responded, the building was evacuated and all chemical readings were at zero. The six employees in the area of the processor when the leak was reported were transported to the hospital, but it was strictly for precautionary reasons, the deputy chief said. He said the company shut down for the night after the incident and planned to reassess what may have gone wrong May 31.
 - Source: http://wilmington.patch.com/articles/gas-leak-sends-six-employees-to-hospital
- 41. *May 30, Threatpost* (International) **FBI warns users of new 'Reveton' scareware scam.** The FBI is warning consumers about a new scam using a piece of malware called Citadel to redirect users to a scam site that installs scareware on their machines and demands a \$100 payment to unlock them. The twist in this scam is it uses the threat of prosecution by the Department of Justice as the prompt to get victims to pay. "In addition to the ransomware, the Citadel malware continues to operate on the compromised computer and can be used to commit online banking and credit card fraud," the FBI warning says.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/fbi-warns-users-new-reveton-scareware-scam-053012

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Communications Sector

- 42. *May 31*, *Burlington Hawk Eye* (Iowa) **Cable cut by storm; Mediacom service down after fire at system site.** A storm system that passed through southeast Iowa May 31 knocked out Mediacom service to most of the area when the company's equipment site was damaged by fire. A Mediacom spokeswoman said all Mediacom services to Burlington, West Burlington, Middletown, and Danville were knocked out, and high-speed Internet and phone services were knocked out in Lee, Henry, and Louisa counties. The spokeswoman called the cause of the outage "quite rare" and said fire officials on the scene had not yet determined the cause. She said no timeline had been set for re-establishing service, but equipment was on the way from other locations. Source: http://www.thehawkeye.com/story/WEB-mediacom-out-053112
- 43. *May 30, Wheeling Intelligencer; Wheeling News-Register* (West Virginia) **Phone** service interrupted by cable break. Hundreds of Wellsburg, West Virginia area residents were without land line telephone service May 30 after a cable serving the area was struck by crews installing a utility pole. A spokesman for Frontier Communications said the crews, who were with another company, drilled through the cable, severely damaging it, but service was expected to be restored within 48 hours. The West Virginia Division of Highways had announced earlier that a section of W.Va. 27 would be closed while crews affiliated with Mon Power replaced a utility pole. The Brooke County sheriff said a temporary emergency 9-1-1 center was set up at the Franklin Fire Department because the county courthouse was without phone service. Calls made by dialing 9-1-1 were being received and forwarded by the Hancock County Emergency 9-1-1 Center, and those dialed to the sheriff's department's number were being routed through a cell phone, he said.

 Source: http://www.theintelligencer.net/page/content.detail/id/570468/Phone-Service-

Source: http://www.theintelligencer.net/page/content.detail/id/570468/Phone-Service-Interrupted-by-Cable-Break.html?nav=515

44. May 30, New Jersey Herald – (New Jersey) Truck fire causes phone, Internet, outages; Route 206 closure. Traffic on Route 206 was detoured in the area of Paterson Avenue in Newton, New Jersey, May 30 as crews worked to repair utility lines damaged by a pickup truck fire. The damage caused phone and Internet outages for Century Link customers, a company spokeswoman said. According to Newton police, the fire erupted when a gas tank became dismounted from a 2002 Ford F150 pickup, causing it to drag underneath the vehicle for a short distance. The driver realized there was a problem and pulled to the side of the road and exited the truck just as it caught fire and became engulfed, police said. The Newton police and fire departments were on scene quickly, but significant damage occurred to the utility lines which will require extensive repair work. A media relations spokeswoman for Century Link said the fire destroyed iber optic and copper wire lines, causing major interruptions in phone and Internet service. She said Century Link will reroute as much traffic as it can, but there will be an impact on some customers. Service Electric Cable Television also reported outages in the Newton area, but it could not be determined if the outage was related to the truck fire.

Source: http://www.njherald.com/story/18656829/car-fire-closes-route-206-in-newton

45. *May 30, Carlisle Sentinel* – (Pennsylvania) **Service disrupted for Pa.net customers.** A cut line caused a massive disruption to phone and Internet services from Pa.net May 30. Pa.net told customers a line was cut, causing the company's Mechanicsburg, Penssylvania facility to lose control over its services. Because of the cut line, there was no way for customers to get in contact with customer service at Pa.net. Pa.net did not give an explanation as to why the line was cut, though there is construction in the area.

Source: http://cumberlink.com/news/local/service-disrupted-for-pa-net-customers/article_e81f9e84-aa74-11e1-a588-001a4bcf887a.html

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Commercial Facilities Sector

46. *May 31*, *Arizona Daily Star* – (Arizona) **Park Place fire forces evacuation of 1,000.** A grease fire forced the evacuation of Park Place mall in Tucson, Arizona, May 30. The fire broke out at a McDonald's restaurant in the food court area, causing an estimated \$100,000 in damage. The fire went into a vent and damaged the restaurant's ceiling before it extinguished itself. More than 1,000 people were evacuated. The mall was closed for more than a hour.

Source: http://azstarnet.com/news/local/park-place-fire-forces-evacuation-of/article 05666da7-f79d-5b69-b2c2-369ea2fc27bc.html

47. *May 31*, *Associated Press* – (Indiana) **2 dead in Indianapolis shooting spree.** A gunman opened fire at an Indianapolis apartment complex May 30, fatally shooting a woman and critically wounding three other people before turning the gun on himself as officers confronted him, police said. An employee in the leasing office was shot and killed. Two other women and a maintenance man also were shot. All were in critical condition at local hospitals. Police had no information about a possible motive but believed the gunman lived at the complex.

Source: http://www.courier-journal.com/viewart/20120530/NEWS02/305300104/2-dead-Indianapolis-shooting-spree

48. *May 31*, *CNN* – (Washington) **Shootings stun Seattle residents; gunman, 5 victims dead.** A man in Seattle killed five people in two shootings before turning the gun on himself, CNN reported May 31. The suspect died several hours after he shot himself in the head as a 5-hour police manhunt came to an end May 30. Detectives believed the man was behind both shootings. The first, at a coffeehouse in the city's University District, left four people dead and one critically injured. The second occurred about 30 minutes later near downtown Seattle, when a woman was shot dead in what police described as a possible carjacking.

Source: http://www.cnn.com/2012/05/31/us/washington-cafe-shooting/index.html?hpt=hp_t2

49. *May 30, Associated Press* – (Colorado) **9 evacuated from southwest Colorado gondola cars.** Officials in Mountain Village, Colorado, said nine people and a dog had to be lowered from gondola cars when a gearbox problem caused the system to shut

down May 29. The Telluride Daily Planet reported that rescuers used ropes and harnesses to get the passengers out of eight cars and down to the ground. Crews waited an hour to begin the evacuation in case the gondola could restart. It took another 1 hour and 45 minutes to get everyone out. The 3-mile-long gondola connects Telluride and Mountain Village, carrying skiers, hikers, and sightseers.

Source: http://www.stltoday.com/news/national/evacuated-from-southwest-colorado-gondola-cars/article_1d79ed6a-066b-5307-bef1-1831445b03c0.html

- 50. *May 30*, *WCCO 4 Minneapolis* (Minnesota) **Police: Pickup crashes into bar in Little Canada, 6 injured.** Six people suffered injuries after a pickup truck veered through traffic and crashed through the wall of a bar May 30 in the Little Canada area of Minneapolis, Minnesota, pinning patrons against the bar, authorities said. The sheriff's office said a woman was driving east on Little Canada Road when her pickup crossed the westbound lanes, knocked over a power pole, crashed through the bar's west wall, and slammed into four people at the bar, pinning them against and behind it. Although the cause of the crash is unknown, the sheriff's office said medical reasons appeared to have played a factor. A man working near the bar used a Bobcat to move the truck just enough to free those who were trapped.

 Source: http://minnesota.cbslocal.com/2012/05/30/police-pickup-crashes-into-
- 51. May 30, Freemont, Newark, and Union City Argus (California) Fremont woman found dead in car in apparent suicide using hazardous chemicals. A woman died in an apparent suicide in Freemont, California, May 30 in a car that contained a poisonous substance in an apartment parking garage, causing the garage to be shut down and a shelter-in-place order to be issued. She was sitting in the back seat next to a container of hydrogen sulfide, a flammable colorless gas that can be made from mixing household cleaning liquids. A sign on the vehicle's windshield said, "poison gas," and a strong odor similar to that of rotten eggs was present. A shelter-in-place order was issued for the apartment complex's residents, and Civic Center Drive was closed to traffic between Walnut Avenue and Stevenson Boulevard. The poisonous compound was removed and authorities reopened street traffic and lifted the shelter-in-place order after about 4 hours. Authorities closed the apartment complex parking garage for most

Source: http://www.insidebayarea.com/news/ci_20741070/fremont-crews-respond-hazmat-scene-at-parking-garage?source=most_emailed

of the day while detectives and the hazardous materials crew investigated.

52. May 29, WTAQ 1360 AM Green Bay – (Wisconsin) Senior apartment building, home damaged by fire due to lightning strike. Thunderstorms May 28 were being blamed for a fire that heavily damaged a senior citizen apartment complex in Edgerton, Wisconsin. Authorities said lighting struck the Edgewood Glen Apartments and caused the fire. The 2-story apartment complex lost most of its roof. About 30 residents were displaced.

Source: http://wtaq.com/news/articles/2012/may/29/senior-apartment-building-home-damaged-by-fire-due-to-lightning-strike/

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National Monuments and Icons Sector

53. *May 31, Associated Press* – (New Mexico) **Drought, policy changes may spark more huge fires.** A giant wildfire in the Gila National Forest, which is New Mexico's largest ever and the largest wildfire currently burning in the U.S., grew to nearly 300 square miles. Fire officials said May 31 the erratic fire grew overnight to more than 190,000 acres and was spreading in all directions. A dry climate is expected to prolong drought conditions across the Great Basin and central Rockies. Experts said dangerous fire conditions will likely spark more massive fires. A fire information officer said more than 1,200 firefighters were at the massive fire, and the fire was 5 percent contained. Officials May 31 closed the Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument due to smoke generated from the fire.

Source: http://www.ajc.com/news/nation-world/huge-nm-wildfire-grows-1449910.html

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Dams Sector

54. May 30, New Milford Patch – (New Jersey) Dam project may be unable to prevent flooding during rehab project. A plan to rehabilitate the dam at the Woodcliff Lake Reservoir in Bergen County, New Jersey, may create a scenario which makes flooding more likely along the Pascack Brook, according to the mayor of Westwood. The New Milford Patch reported May 30 the plan involves strengthening the dam to withstand a 1,000-year storm. The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requires United Water to undergo the rehabilitation project to ensure the dam holds. Currently, the dam's gate can be raised in the event of heavy rain to prevent all the storm water from flowing into the brook at once. During construction, the gate must be kept lower than usual, 89 feet, and it cannot be raised, increasing the likelihood of flooding even in a moderate storm. Construction is expected to last 2 years. The mayor wants to know if the state will help with the costs of damages from flooding while the gate is being rehabilitated, but he has not received an answer. The DEP is planning to hold a meeting about the project. Westwood officials were also attempting to get operations changed at the dam once the work is complete. A report by Boswell Engineering recommends keeping the gates at 91 feet all year, so there is more room to raise it during a storm. Currently, the gates are only kept at 91 feet during the winter. Source: http://newmilford-nj.patch.com/articles/dam-may-be-unable-to-prevent- flooding-during-rehab-project-2bac87ea

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